



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Applicant:** Mays, Robert Jr.      **Group Art Unit:** 2633  
**Serial No:** 09/884,562      **Examiner:** David C. Payne  
**Filed:** June 19, 2001      **Our Ref. No.:** MYS-01-09-13  
**For:** NETWORK ROUTING EMPLOYING FREE-SPACE OPTICAL  
BROADCASTING

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 30, 2004**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**IN THE DRAWINGS**

Applicant respectfully encloses herewith corrected Drawings, Figures 1-13, on seven (7) sheets, as required.

**RESPONSE**

This response includes amendments to Claims 1-2, 4-8, 13-16. However, the amendments to Claims 2-8 and 13-15 are cosmetic in nature. All amended claims are fully supported by the description.

This response further includes Applicant's response indicating why the prior art does not suggest or motivate those of ordinary skill in the art to modify or combine references, does not provide a reasonable expectation of success, and does not teach or suggest all the claim limitations.